

PATENT
3426-0108P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Craig FRENCH

Appl. No.: NEW Group:

Filed: February 23, 2004 Examiner:

For: CABLE TRANSPORT SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
LOADING AND UNLOADING SPOOLS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
(SUBMISSION CONCURRENT WITH THE
FILING OF A NEW PATENT APPLICATION)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

February 23, 2004

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant(s) hereby submit(s) an Information Disclosure Statement for consideration by the Examiner.

I. LIST OF PATENTS, PUBLICATIONS OR OTHER INFORMATION

The patents, publications, or other information submitted for consideration by the Office are listed on PTO-1449, attached hereto.

II. COPIES

- a. This application was filed before June 30, 2003. Accordingly, submitted herewith is a legible copy of (i) each U.S. and foreign patent; (ii) each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed; and (iii) all other information or that portion which caused it to be listed.
- b. This application was filed on or after June 30, 2003. Accordingly, copies of cited US patents and patent application publications therefore are not included. Copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature are included.

- c. This application is a National Phase of a PCT application. Some or all of the documents listed on the PTO-1449 are not enclosed because they were cited in the International Search Report and copies should be forwarded from the International Search Authority. If copies are needed, please contact the undersigned.

III. CONCISE EXPLANATION OF THE RELEVANCE
(check at least one box)

- a. DOCUMENTS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

The patents, publications, or other information listed on the attached PTO 1449 are in the English language and therefore, do not require a statement of relevancy.

- b. DOCUMENTS NOT IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

A concise explanation of the relevance of all patents, publications, or other information listed that is not in the English language is as follows:

- c. ENGLISH LANGUAGE SEARCH REPORT

An English language version of the search report or action that indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office is attached, thereby satisfying the requirement for a concise explanation. See MPEP 609(III)(A)(3).

- d. OTHER

The following additional information is provided for the Examiner's consideration.

FEES

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the filing of a new patent application; therefore, no fee is required.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this IDS, he/she is requested to contact the undersigned. If it is determined that this IDS has been filed under the wrong rule, the PTO is requested to consider this IDS under the proper rule and charge the appropriate fee to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

By 
James T. Eller, Jr., #39,538

P.O. Box 747
Falls Church, VA 22040-0747
(703) 205-8000

JTE/clb
3426-0108P

- Attachment(s): Form PTO-1449(s)
 Documents
 Foreign Search Report
 Fee
 Other: _____

(Rev. 02/12/2004)

Form PTO-1449 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION (Use several sheets if necessary)				ATTY. DOCKET NO. 3426-0108P	APPLICATION NO. NEW		
				APPLICANT Craig FRENCH			
				FILING DATE February 23, 2004		GROUP	
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	Kind	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	US 1,052,096	A	1913-02-04	Schulze			
	US 1,678,395	A	1928-07-24	Kellems			
	US D186,589	S	1959-11-10	Petersen et al.			
	US 2,693,285	A	1954-11-02	Buschbom			
	US 2,679,987	A	1954-06-01	Saliba			
	US 2,867,390	A	1959-01-06	Anrig			
	US 2,941,678	A	1960-06-21	Keys			
	US 3,013,676	A	1961-12-19	Daniels, Jr.			
	US 3,091,413	A	1963-05-28	Leithiser			
	US 3,184,082	A	1965-05-18	Hall			
	US 3,321,147	A	1967-05-23	Martin			
	US 3,325,118	A	1967-06-13	Hall			
	US 3,677,428	A	1972-07-18	Mallett			
	US 3,690,491	A	1972-09-12	Butler, Jr.			
	US 3,946,887	A	1976-03-30	Parker			
	US 3,820,673	A	1974-06-28	McVaugh			
	US 3,931,902	A	1976-01-13	Love, Jr.			
	US 3,941,324	A	1976-03-02	Green			
	US 4,044,963	A	1977-08-30	Hostetler			
	US 4,174,809	A	1979-11-20	Arlemark			
	US 4,437,622	A	1984-03-20	Heider			
	US 4,583,700	A	1986-04-22	Tschurbanoff			
	US 4,588,142	A	1986-05-13	Malzacher			
	US 4,635,983	A	1987-01-13	Boland et al.			
	US 4,643,397	A	1987-02-17	Munns			
	US 4,701,098	A	1987-10-20	Bills et al.			
	US 4,726,566	A	1988-02-23	Boland et al.			
	US 4,762,291	A	1988-08-09	Sauber			
	US 4,767,073	A	1988-08-30	Malzacher			
	US 5,123,602	A	1992-06-23	Skalleberg et al.			
	US 5,139,751	A	1992-08-18	Mansfield et al.			
	US 5,632,470	A	1997-05-27	Leland			
	US 5,897,073	A	1999-04-27	McVaugh			
	US 6,305,894	B1	2001-10-23	Dearborn			
	US 6,347,761	B1	2002-02-19	Larson			
	US 2002/0003186	A1	2002-01-10	Hinds			
	US 181,438	S	11/1959	Petersen			
EXAMINER				DATE CONSIDERED			
EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.							